APPENDIX J SWIMMING STAFF-TO-CHILD RATIO WORKSHEET GROUP CHILD CARE CENTERS

When children are using a public swimming pool or beach, HFS 46.06(12)(c) requires that the staff-to-child ratio be modified. This worksheet may be used to calculate the required number of child care providers who have the ability to swim that must be present when enrolled children are in the water.

If some of the children are in the water and others are not, at least 2 child care providers are necessary—at least one child care provider to supervise the children in the water and one child care provider to supervise the children who are not.

A child shall be restricted to the area of the pool or beach that is within the child's swimming ability.

| GROUP CHILD CARE CENTERS | | | | | |
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| 1 | 1 2 | | 3 | | 4 |
| Age – Child | Number of Children in Age Group | | Numerical Weight for Age Group | | Required Providers per Age Group (Column 2 x Column 3) |
| Birth to 3 years | | _ X | (1:1) 1.00 | = | |
| 3 years to 4 years | | _ X | (1:4) .25 | = | |
| 4 years through 5 years | | _ X | (1:6) .167 | = | |
| 6 years and older | | _ X | (1:12) .083 | = | |
| TOTAL (Sum of Column 4): | | | | | |
| The number in the "TOTAL (Sum of Column 4):" box is the required number of child care providers who can swim that must be present when enrolled children are in the water. | | | | | |